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Dear Sir:

Upon national phase entry in the United States of the International Application No. PCT/NZ2003/000167 and prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 11 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are not being made by this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 26 of this paper.